## State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, Community Health Centers, also known as Federally Qualified

> Health Centers, are nonprofit, community-based providers of comprehensive primary and preventive health care, including oral

health and mental health services; and

Vermont's 12 community health centers operate in more than 86 WHEREAS,

sites and provide care to one in four Vermonters; and

Vermont's Community Health Centers offer service regardless of WHEREAS,

insurance coverage or ability to pay; and

Vermont's Community Health Centers tailor services to fit the WHEREAS,

> special needs and priorities of their communities and provide services in a linguistically and culturally relevant manner; and

WHEREAS, Vermont's Community Health Centers promote population health

and well-being through the support of public health goals and

population health initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Vermont's Community Health Centers are staffed by health

> professionals who have chosen to serve communities in need, helping to expand the reach of primary care and preventive health

services: and

Vermont's Community Health Centers help contain overall health WHEREAS,

care costs through integrated preventive and primary care health

services, treating the whole person.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, do hereby proclaim August 13 – 17,

2018 as

## COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS WEEK

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of

Vermont on this 15th day of August, A.D. 2018

Philip B. Scott

Governor

Jave Pershing Johnson

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs